

# Physical Therapy Board of California

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**CITATION # 07-08-0517**

**Gail Abrigo, PT**  
**1691 Mesa Drive, Apt. S1**  
**Santa Ana, CA 92707**

## **CITATION**

Information obtained by the Physical Therapy Board of California (PTBC) has determined that actions taken by you have violated sections of the law regulating the practice of physical therapy.

A citation is hereby issued to you in accordance with Section 125.9 of the Business and Professions Code for the violations described below.

## **CAUSE FOR CITATION**

Failure to notify the PTBC, in writing, of a change of address within thirty (30) days in accordance with Section 1398.6 (a) of the California Code of Regulations.

### *Filing of Addresses*

1. (a) Each licensee shall report to the board each and every change of residence address within 30 days after each change, giving both the old and new address. In addition to the address of residence, a licensee may provide the board with an alternate address of record. If an alternate is the licensee's address of record, he or she may request that the residence address not be disclosed to the public.

On March 18, 2008 the PTBC received a change of address in which you reported that you moved from 1727 Holly Drive, Apt. 207, Glendale, CA 91206 to your new address at 1691 Mesa Drive, Apt. S1, Santa Ana, CA 92707. According to the information you provided, this address change occurred on or about December 2007; however, your renewal notice sent out February 2008 was returned to our office with a stamp reading, "Forward Time Exp Return to Sender." According to the postal service, this stamp indicates that you moved more than 30 days prior to the date indicated. Since notification of your address change was not reported to the Physical Therapy Board within 30 days of the change, as required pursuant to CCR, Section 1398.6, you are in violation of the Physical Therapy Practice Act.

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**SECOND CAUSE FOR CITATION**

Your reporting of an address change with a false date of the address relocation date constitutes a fraudulent, dishonest act.

*Unprofessional Conduct*

*(I) The commission of any fraudulent, dishonest, or corrupt act which is substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant.*

On March 18, 2008, the PTBC received an address change signed by you under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California that your address change occurred within 30 days of submission to this office. However, the PTBC has documentation indicating that your residence address change occurred more than 30 days prior to the reported December 2007 date. This false entry constitutes a dishonest act in accordance with Business and Professions Code, section 2660(I).

**ORDER**

Further, **you are ordered to pay a fine of \$600.00 (CAUSE 1 - \$100 & CAUSE 2 - \$500)** to the PTBC within thirty (30) days of the citation or assessment issuance date. When submitting payment to the PTBC, for your protection and to assure proper credit, please return a copy of the citation and note the citation number on your check or money order.

If you wish to contest all or any part of this Citation, complete the enclosed "Notice of Appeal- Request for Informal Conference" form and return it to this office within ten (10) days after receipt of this Citation. The date indicated on the Order will be held in abeyance only for any violation(s) you wish to contest. All uncontested violations will be adhered to as specified. In the alternative, you may, within thirty (30) days of the citation or assessment issuance date, request a formal administrative hearing before an administrative law judge under the Administrative Procedure Act.

**FAILURE TO RETURN THE REQUEST FOR INFORMAL CONFERENCE FORM OR TO REQUEST AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING WITHIN THE TIME INDICATED WILL CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF YOUR RIGHT TO ADMINSTRATIVELY CONTEST OR APPEAL THIS CITATION.**

June 25, 2008  
Date

Original Signed By:  
STEVEN K. HARTZELL  
Executive Officer